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KY REGISTRY OF  
ELECTION FINANCE

September 10, 2008

Ms. Emily Dennis, Esq.  
Office of the General Counsel  
Kentucky Registry of Election Finance  
140 Walnut Avenue  
Frankfort KY 40601

Re: Request for advisory opinion

Dear Ms. Dennis:

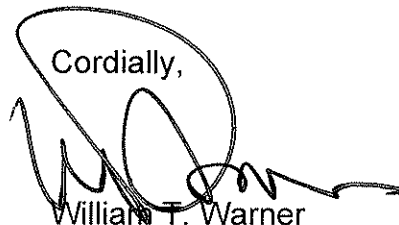
This is a request for an advisory opinion pursuant to KRS 121.135(1). The operative facts and the issue presented are as follows:

The Committee to Retain Judge David Holton is a registered candidate committee supporting the election of Judge David Holton to the Jefferson District Court at the November 4, 2008 general election. The committee is planning a fundraiser which will have as its theme family pets. The fundraiser will be held in and around a public hall which will be rented for the event. The committee wishes to have present at the event one or more distributors of pet supplies who, organizationally, are corporations. These entities may distribute favors or samples of their products to attendees, but will not pay or otherwise donate any money or anything else of value to the committee.

The issue is, in view of the Registry's application of Section 150 of the Kentucky Constitution in its Advisory Opinion 1994-015, and otherwise, whether or not the presence of these entities at the committee fundraiser, under the stated circumstances, would be proper.

Thank you for your assistance.

Cordially,



William T. Warner